

Overdose, wreck, lead to legal trouble for one

(KAIR)--Heroin is suspected in an Atchison drug overdose that led to child endangerment charges for a woman who, the next day, police say was involved in a traffic crash that downed a power pole in the City of Atchison.

Atchison Police Chief Mike Wilson told MSC News the overdose was discovered Friday evening, around 6:30. "Officers responded to a residence in the 800 block of Parallel for an unresponsive 28-year-old female. Officers and first responders, when they arrived on the scene, rendered aid, and it was determined that the use of drugs was the basis of this medical situation. Alexis Porter, the female, was transported to the hospital by EMS, and the investigation continued through the weekend, specifically focusing on the presence of a small child that was in the residence during this drug overdose."

Not arrested immediately, Wilson says it was the next afternoon that Porter was driving on an Atchison street when she wrecked into a power pole, knocking down the power line. "Saturday, [Porter] was driving a vehicle in the 700 block of South 5th, about 1:20 in the afternoon, when the vehicle left the roadway and struck a utility pole. The utility pole was broken off and there were wires on the ground, and this caused traffic to be diverted from that area until the early evening. Her 26-year-old passenger in that vehicle was transported to the hospital by EMS for examination."

Porter's passenger is identified as Luke Bilderback, who suffered non-life threatening injuries in the wreck.

Porter was cited for reckless driving and excessive speed.

Wilson said Porter was then arrested the next morning in connection with Friday's alleged drug overdose. "Then on Sunday morning, we were still working on the investigation on Friday night's case when we took her into custody for the endangerment of a child."

Porter now faces a charge of endangering a child.

Following her arrest, she was booked into the Atchison County Jail.

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